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SUBJ: INDIA AND BANGLADESH: INTERIM REPORT ON CHAVAN'S DACCA VISIT

1. INDIAN FOREIGN MINISTER Y. B. CHAVAN CONCLUDED A THREE AND ONE-HALF DAY VISIT YESTERDAY (DECEMBER 10). INITIAL READING OF JOINT COMMUNIQUE AND BRIEF CONVERSATIONS WITH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICIALS IN IMMEDIATE AFTERMATH SUGGEST VISIT DID NOT GO PARTICULARLY WELL. COMMUNIQUE IS LENGTHY, BUT COUCHED IN MOST GENERAL TERMS. CHIEF OF PROTOCOL TOLD AMBASSADOR AT DINNER LAST EVENING THAT PRIMARY PROBLEMS NOW WERE (1) DELINEATION OF MARITIME BOUNDARIES AND (2) FARAKKA BARRAGE, WITH FORMER NOW TAKING HIGHER PRIORITY; AS COMMUNIQUE QUICKLY REVEALS, RESOLUTION IS STILL DISTANT. MFA LEGAL ADVISOR HARUNUR RASHID TOLD EMBOFF IN CASUAL MEETING THAT ON DELINEATION ISSUE, THE ONLY THING ACHIEVED HAD BEEN "SOME EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION" AND NOT EVEN PRINCIPLES ON WHICH DELINEATION MIGHT TAKE PLACE HAD BEEN IDENTIFIED.

2. WE WILL REPORT ON VISIT IN GREATER DETAIL AFTER WE HAVE HAD TIME MORE EXTENSIVE CONVERSATIONS HERE.
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